

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

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**Notice ARCPLC-2**

**For:** State and County Offices

**Establishing FAV and Wild Rice (WR) Double-Cropping Regions**

**Approved by:** Acting Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



**1 Overview**

**A Background**

Agricultural Act of 2014 (2014 Farm Bill), section 1114(e)(1) provides that the planting of FAV's, **excluding** mung beans and covered commodities (that is, dry peas, lentils, and chickpeas), or WR on base acres is prohibited unless FAV's and WR are destroyed **before** harvest.

**Exception:** Double-cropping covered commodities with FAV's or WR is permitted in any region in which there is a history of this double-cropping.

In 2008, STC's designated FAV and WR double-cropping regions for those locations where the plantings of FAV's/WR and covered commodities met the definition of double-cropping.

A review of the prior-approved double-cropping regions is required to determine whether the prior-approved double-cropping regions still meet the double-cropping standards, and also to determine whether additional regions meet the standard to be included as a double-cropping region.

**B Purpose**

This notice provides:

- definitions to be used in designating FAV and WR double-cropping regions
- instructions to STC's for designating FAV and WR double-cropping regions
- a deadline for submitting the designation requests to DAFP for publication in FR.

Disposal Date	Distribution
July 1, 2014 4-7-14	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

## 2 Definitions and Action

### A Definitions for Designating FAV and WR Double-Cropping Regions

The following definitions will be used by STC's when designating FAV and WR double-cropping regions:

**Covered commodity** is defined as wheat, oats, and barley (including wheat, oats, and barley used for haying and grazing), corn, grain sorghum, long grain rice, medium grain rice, pulse crops, soybeans, sunflower seed, rapeseed, canola, safflower, flaxseed, mustard seed, crambe, sesame seed, and peanuts.

**Double-cropping FAV's/Wild Rice with covered commodities** is defined as planting and harvesting of a covered commodity in cycle with the planting and harvesting of FAV and/or WR on the same acreage in a 12-month period with the ability to plant and harvest the same 2 crops in the immediately succeeding 12-month period, under normal growing conditions.

**Note:** FAV and/or WR may be planted either before or after the planting of the covered commodity to be considered double-cropped.

### B State Office Action Required

State Offices shall designate FAV and WR double-cropping regions. Designated FAV and WR double-cropping regions **must**:

- be an entire county
- follow county lines
- be determined on a county-by-county basis
- not be an area greater than an entire county.

A portion of a county **cannot** be designated as a double cropping region. Although each county in a State may be a region, an entire State **cannot** be designated as a region. All designated FAV and WR double-cropping regions will be published in FR. After STC-designated FAV and WR double-cropping regions are published in FR, **no** additional regions shall be designated.

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### 3 State Office Action (Continued)

#### A Action Required (Continued)

**Note:** The importance of correctly designating FAV and WR double-cropping regions cannot be overemphasized. The designation of a county as an FAV and WR double-cropping region will impact payment program compliance for producers in the county.

STC's shall designate FAV and WR double-cropping regions according to this table.

Step	Action
1	<p>In consultation with COC's, NIFA, Land Grant Universities, and other agencies or organizations, STC's will determine whether it is customary to plant FAV's and/or WR in a double-cropping sequence with a covered commodity.</p> <p>STC shall make the determination on a county-by-county basis using the definitions in paragraph 2.</p> <p>Counties already designated as FAV and/or WR double-cropping regions do <b>not</b> need to be addressed unless STC's request to remove those counties as FAV and/or WR double-cropping regions. See Exhibit 1.</p> <p><b>Important:</b> Determinations shall be based on the planting history for the county before the 2014 crop year.</p>
2	<p>Designate the counties as FAV and WR double-cropping regions by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• documenting the designated counties, and the sources used to designate the counties, in STC minutes</li><li>• submitting the list of <b>additional</b> counties designated as FAV and WR double-cropping regions by STC to DAFP <b>no later than June 2, 2014</b>.</li></ul> <p><b>Note:</b> STC shall submit designated FAV and WR double-cropping regions to Brent Orr by e-mail at <b>brent.orr@wdc.usda.gov</b>.</p> <p>Negative reports are required.</p>

**Counties Designated FAV/Wild Rice Double-Cropping Regions**

The following counties are already included as regions having a history of double-cropping covered commodities with FAV and WR.

<b>State</b>	<b>Counties</b>
Alabama	Baldwin, Barbour, Butler, Chambers, Chilton, Clarke, Covington, Cullman, Geneva, Greene, Houston, Jackson, Jefferson, Lee, Madison, Mobile, Montgomery, Randolph, Sumter, Talladega, Walker, and Washington
Alaska	None
Arizona	Cochise, Graham, Greenlee, LaPaz, Maricopa, Mohave, Pima, Pinal, and Yuma
Arkansas	Ashley, Benton, Clay, Craighead, Crawford, Cross, Faulkner, Franklin, Green, Independence, Jackson, Jefferson, Lee, Lincoln, Logan, Lonoke, Mississippi, Phillips, Pulaski, St. Francis, Sebastian, Woodruff, and Yell
California	Alameda, Amador, Butte, Colusa, Contra Costa, Fresno, Glenn, Imperial, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, Riverside, Sacramento, San Benito, San Joaquin, Santa Clara, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Tulare, Yolo, and Yuba
Caribbean Office	None
Colorado	Otero
Connecticut	None
Delaware	All counties
Florida	All counties except Monroe
Georgia	All counties
Hawaii	None
Idaho	None
Illinois	Bureau, Calhoun, Cass, Clark, Crawford, DeKalb, Edgar, Effingham, Gallatin, Iroquois, Jersey, Kankakee, Lawrence, LaSalle, Lee, Madison, Marion, Mason, Monroe, Randolph, St. Clair, Tazewell, Union, Vermilion, White, and Whiteside
Indiana	Allen, Bartholomew, Daviess, Gibson, Hamilton, Jackson, Johnson, Knox, LaGrange, Lake, La Porte, Madison, Marion, Martin, Miami, Posey, Ripley, Shelby, Sullivan, Vandenberg, and Warrick
Iowa	Kossuth, Mitchell, Palo Alto, and Winnebago
Kansas	None
Kentucky	Daviess
Louisiana	Avoyelles, Franklin, Grant, Morehouse, Rapides, Richland, and West Carroll
Maine	None
Maryland	Baltimore, Calvert, Caroline, Carroll, Dorchester, Harford, Kent, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester
Massachusetts	None

## Counties Designated FAV and Wild Rice Double-Cropping Regions (Continued)

State	Counties
Michigan	None
Minnesota	Blue Earth, Brown, Carver, Chippewa, Cottonwood, Dakota, Dodge, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Houston, Kandiyohi, Le Sueur, Martin, McLeod, Meeker, Mower, Nicollet, Olmsted, Pope, Redwood, Renville, Rice, Scott, Sibley, Steele, Swift, Waseca, Wabasha, Watonwan, and Winona
Mississippi	Calhoun, Carroll, Coahoma, Covington, De Soto, George, Humphreys, Jefferson Davis, Lowndes, Madison, Marshall, Monroe, Montgomery, Prentiss, and Rankin
Missouri	Barton, Butler, Cape Girardeau, Dade, Dunklin, Jasper, Lawrence, Mississippi, New Madrid, Newton, Pemiscot, Ripley, Scott, and Stoddard
Montana	None
Nebraska	None
Nevada	None
New Hampshire	None
New Jersey	Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Salem, Somerset, Sussex, and Warren
New Mexico	Chaves, Curry, Dona Ana, Eddy, Hidalgo, Lea, Luna, Quay, Roosevelt, San Juan, and Sierra
New York	Cayuga, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orange, Orleans, Suffolk, Wayne, and Wyoming
North Carolina	Beaufort, Bertie, Bladen, Brunswick, Cabarrus, Camden, Carteret, Caswell, Catawba, Chatham, Chowan, Cleveland, Columbus, Craven, Cumberland, Currituck, Dare, Duplin, Edgecombe, Franklin, Gaston, Gates, Granville, Greene, Halifax, Harnett, Hertford, Hoke, Hyde, Johnston, Jones, Lee, Lenoir, Lincoln, Martin, Mecklenburg, Montgomery, Moore, Nash, New Hanover, Northampton, Onslow, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Pender, Perquimans, Pitt, Richmond, Robeson, Rockingham, Rutherford, Sampson, Scotland, Stokes, Tyrell, Union, Wake, Warren, Washington, Wayne, Wilkes, Wilson, and Yadkin
North Dakota	None
Ohio	Champaign, Clermont, Fulton, Lucas, Miami, Morgan, Muskingum, Scioto, and Stark
Oklahoma	Adair, Alfalfa, Beckham, Blaine, Bryan, Caddo, Canadian, Carter, Cherokee, Cleveland, Cotton, Custer, Delaware, Dewey, Ellis, Garfield, Garvin, Grady, Grant, Greer, Harmon, Haskell, Hughes, Jackson, Jefferson, Kay, Kingfisher, Kiowa, Le Flore, Logan, Love, McClain, McIntosh, Major, Marshall, Mayes, Muskogee, Noble, Nowata, Okmulgee, Osage, Pawnee, Payne, Pittsburg, Pottawatomie, Roger Mills, Rogers, Sequoyah, Stephens, Tillman, Tulsa, Wagoner, Washita, Woods, and Woodward
Oregon	Morrow and Multnomah
Pennsylvania	Adams, Bucks, Centre, Chester, Clinton, Columbia, Cumberland, Delaware, Franklin, Indiana, Lancaster, Montgomery, Montour, Northumberland, Schuylkill, Snyder, Union, and York
Puerto Rico	None

## Counties Designated FAV and Wild Rice Double-Cropping Regions (Continued)

State	Counties
Rhode Island	None
South Carolina	All counties
South Dakota	None
Tennessee	Bledsoe, Cannon, Chester, Cocke, Coffee, Crockett, Dickson, Dyer, Fayette, Gibson, Giles, Greene, Grundy, Hardeman, Haywood, Jefferson, Knox, Lake, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lincoln, Madison, Maury, McNairy, Obion, Overton, Pickett, Putnum, Rhea, Robertson, Rutherford, Sumner, Unicoi, VanBuren, Warren, Washington, Wayne, White, Williamson, and Wilson
Texas	Atascosa, Bailey, Baylor, Brooks, Cameron, Castro, Cochran, Cottle, Dallam, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Dimmit, Duval, Floyd, Foard, Frio, Gaines, Hale, Hartley, Haskell, Hidalgo, Hockley, Jim Wells, Kleberg, Knox, Lamb, LaSalle, Lubbock, Lynn, Maverick, Medina, Moore, Parmer, Presidio, San Patricio, Sherman, Starr, Swisher, Terry, Uvalde, Webb, Willacy, Wilson, Yoakum, and Zavala
Utah	None
Vermont	None
Virginia	Accomack, Albemarle, Alleghany, Amelia, Amherst, Appomattox, Augusta, Bath, Bedford, Bland, Botetourt, Brunswick, Buchanan, Buckingham, Campbell, Caroline, Carroll, Charles City, Charlotte, Chesapeake, Chesterfield, Clarke, Craig, Culpeper, Cumberland, Dickenson, Dinwiddie, Essex, Fairfax, Fauquier, Floyd, Fluvanna, Franklin, Frederick, Giles, Gloucester, Goochland, Grayson, Greene, Greenville, Halifax, Hanover, Henrico, Henry, Highland, Isle of Wight, James City, King and Queen, King George, King William, Lancaster, Lee, Loudoun, Louisa, Lunenburg, Madison, Mathews, Mecklenburg, Middlesex, Montgomery, Nelson, New Kent, Northampton, Northumberland, Nottoway, Orange, Page, Patrick, Pittsylvania, Powhatan, Prince Edward, Prince George, Prince William, Pulaski, Rappahannock, Richmond, Roanoke, Rockbridge, Rockingham, Russell, Scott, Shenandoah, Smyth, Southampton, Spotsylvania, Stafford, Suffolk, Surry, Sussex, Tazewell, Virginia Beach, Warren, Washington, Westmoreland, Wise, Wythe, and York
Washington	Yakima
West Virginia	None
Wisconsin	Adams, Calumet, Columbia, Dane, Dodge, Fond du Lac, Green, Green Lake, Iowa, Kenosha, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Portage, Racine, Richland, Rock, Sauk, Trempealeau, Walworth, Waukesha, Waushara, and Winnebago
Wyoming	None